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PLAN LARGE LIVESTOCK MOUNTAIN FARMS;
ROPEWAY BUILT FOR LOG TRANSPORT

MOUNTAIN FARMS IN CROATIA -- Borba, No 91, 17 Apr 49

At the beginning of 1948, the Main Administration of Mountain Farms in Croatia was established in Zagreb, to develop stock-raising on state farms of the mountain type. The Administration has ten farms, which are to become large and advanced livestock centers with breeding stock and modern equipment. Sheep will be raised most extensively, while a cattle center has been formed at Preboje and a "Lipicaner" horse farm at Goricevac.

The 1949 plan calls for 65,000 sheep on state mountain farms in Croatia by the end of the year. About 159 million dinars will be spent on housing and barns on the farms.

On all these farms, domestic sheep will be crossed with better breeds to improve the quality of the wool. At Ljubovo in Perusic Srez and on Plavnik Island, ewes will be crossed with merino rams, while a flock of Karakul sheep is being raised on Losinj Island to furnish breeding stock. About 10,000 ewes are expected to be bred by artificial insemination this year.

All the mountain farms in Croatia have been established on abandoned land which has not been cultivated for years. Besides rich pastures and forests, they have much arable land. The farm at Perjasica has about 130 cadastral jutro of cultivable land, the farm at Brinje 200, at Sadilovac 500, at Preboje 136, and at Ostarije 480. Fodder for winter feed and potatoes, which thrive in these districts, will be the main crops planted.

COOP MEMBERS MAY SELL OWN PRODUCE -- Politika, No 13216, 20 Apr 49

According to a resolution of the federal Ministry of Trade, from now on members of farm workers' cooperatives may sell the following products, produced on the land reserved for their personal use, at fixed prices: poultry, eggs, milk and dairy products, large and small livestock, hogs, lard, wool, all kinds of leather, fall potatoes, beans, peas, lentils, and honey.

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MOBILE ROPEWAY FOR FOREST TRANSPORT -- Borba, No 91, 17 Apr 49

Rijeka -- The first mobile ropeway to be built in Yugoslavia is being tested in the forests of Gorski Kotar. Two months of testing have shown that this ropeway can do the work of 45 men and 20 teams. The operation is much cheaper and five times faster than transporting logs by team.

Unlike stationary ropeways, this one can be moved quickly and inexpensively from place to place. It is not difficult to set up, using ordinary trees selected on the spot. The ropeway is adjustable for all kinds of wood, regardless of size. Uphill, the ropeway can transport up to 2.5 cubic meters of wood for 500 meters. The ropeway can be set up in sites where teams cannot be used.

For ordinary work, four men are needed to handle the ropeway including the mechanic who operates the engine.

This ropeway will soon be put in service, and others will be built according to the same design.

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